

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
UTILITY DIVISION  
AGENDA NO. 97-10-14**

Date Prepared: October 9, 1997

For Work Week Commencing: October 13, 1997

Business Meeting Date & Time: October 14, 1997, 10:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, placed on the state electronic bulletin board, and posted to the PSC's world wide web site at <http://www.psc.mt.gov>.

Place of Meetings All meetings are held at the Commission offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, unless otherwise noted.

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**Work Sessions** All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated (Dan).

1. MDU LCP Docket D97.9.170 - Discuss notice of filing and other processing matters (10/15/97)
2. CELP/YELP/DNRC vs MPC Dockets D97.7.127, D97.7.128, and D97.8.143 - Discuss the jurisdiction issue (10/15/97)
3. Pipeline Safety and NESC Rules Docket L-97.8.5-RUL - Discuss and act on draft rules for publication (10/15/97)
4. SB396 Rules - Docket L-97.1-RUL - Update, discussion, action as necessary on SB396 rules, including update on SB396 USBC requirements (10/15/97)
5. PSC vs USWC Docket D97.7.116 - Update, discussion, action as necessary on PSC complaint against USWC re: EAS and measured service information (10/15/97)
6. MPC Docket D96.2.22 - Discussion and action as necessary on post-hearing and post briefing matters (10/15/97)

7. Weekly Scheduling Meeting - Will be held at 9:45 a.m. on the day of the Business Meeting

**Action Items** All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. PROJECT TELEPHONE COMPANY - Docket N97.9.173 (Nina)

On September 25, 1997, Project Telephone Company filed a proposed text change signifying Two-Way, per trunk charges for PBX Service for the local exchanges of Project Telephone. This was a notice item on Agenda No. 97-10-6.

2. VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS INC. - Docket N97.9.176 (Nina)

On September 25, 1997, Valley Telecommunications Inc., filed a proposed text change signifying Two-Way, per trunk charges for PBX Service for the local exchanges of VTI. This was a notice item on Agenda 97-10-6.

3. VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS - Docket N97.9.179 (Kate)

On September 25, 1997, Valley Telecommunications filed to revise its tariff regarding customer deposits to allow the provision of local service only with no deposit required.

4. PROJECT TELEPHONE COMPANY - Docket N97.9.174 (Kate)

On September 25, 1997, Project Telephone filed to revise its tariff regarding customer deposits to allow the provision of local service only with no deposit required.

5. VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. - Docket N97.9.177 (Vicki)

On September 25, 1997, Valley Telecommunications, Inc. filed tariff pages to add definitions for Special Number Services including: Non-Published, Non-Listed, Additional Listing and Foreign Exchange Listing. Rates were also added for Foreign Exchange Listing.

6. PROJECT TELEPHONE COMPANY - Docket N97.9.180 (Vicki)

On September 25, 1997, Project Telephone Co. filed tariff pages to add definitions for Special Number Services including: Non-Published, Non-Listed, Additional Listing and Foreign Exchange Listing. Rates were also added for Foreign Exchange Listing.

7. Project Telephone Company Docket N97.9.175 (Bonnie)

On September 25, 1997, Project Telephone Company filed tariff revisions introducing Directory Assistance Service definition and condition of service changes for the local exchanges of Project Telephone Company.

8. Valley Telecommunications, Inc. Docket N97.9.178 (Bonnie)

On September 25, 1997, Valley Telecommunications, Inc. filed tariff revisions introducing the Directory Assistance Service definition and condition of service changes for the local exchanges of Valley Telecommunications, Inc.

**Notice Items** All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, PO Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda.

1. CITIZENS TELECOMMUNICATIONS - N97.9.184 (Kate)

On September 15, 1997, Citizens Telecommunications filed to remove from its tariff the language and rates pertaining to public and semi-public telephone service.

2. US WEST Communications - Docket N97.10.182 (Bonnie)

On October 2, 1997, US WEST filed tariff transmittal 97-AC02, Revisions to Termination Liability Assessment - Private Line Transport Services Tariff. The filing proposes changes in charges assessed when a customer elects to discontinue a contract prior to its term expiration date.

3. US WEST Communications - Docket N97.10.183 (Bonnie)

On October 2, 1997, US WEST filed Tariff Transmittal 97-35, Revisions to Termination Liability Assessment. The filing proposes changes in charges assessed when a customer elects to discontinue a contract prior to its term expiration date.

**Information Items** All items identified below are for information only.

GFG Docket D97.7.119 - A Notice of Staff Action (amending procedural order) was served October 3, 1997.

MPC Docket D97.7.90 - A Notice of Staff Action Amending Procedural Schedule was served October 3, 1997

**Tentative Action Items for Agenda 97-10-20**

Docket N97.10.182 US WEST Communications (Bonnie)

Docket N97.10.183 US WEST Communications (Bonnie)

**New Filings Received in Past Week**

N97.10.182 USWC Revisions to Termination Liability Assessment - Private Line Transport Services Tariff

N97.10.183 USWC Revisions to Termination Liability Assessment

N97.10.185 WorldCom, Inc. Name Change to WorldCom Technologies, Inc., delete obsolete; grandfather various services and text changes